

**Amendments to the Claims:**

**Listing of Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) A pharmaceutical formulation in the form of granules containing at least one plant substance granule, each plant substance granule comprising a ~~single~~ neutral core having a particle size of between 200 and 1600  $\mu\text{m}$  coated with a layer containing the plant substance combined with a pharmaceutically acceptable excipient, wherein the pharmaceutically acceptable excipient is polyvinylpyrrolidone as a binder,  
wherein said plant substance is a dry plant extract; and  
wherein said layer is applied to said neutral core by powder coating.
2. (Original) Granules according to claim 1, wherein the neutral core consists of a substance selected from the group consisting of sugar, starch, mannitol, sorbitol, xylitol, cellulose, talc, and mixtures thereof.
3. (Currently Amended) Granules according to claim 1, wherein the neutral core consists of a starch/sucrose core in a 20/80 mass ratio, ~~which is coated with 80% by weight of starch.~~
4. (Canceled)
5. (Original) Granules according to claim 1, wherein the layer containing the plant substance is coated with an outer layer capable of masking the taste or odor of the plant substance.
6. (Original) Granules according to claim 5, wherein the outer layer is capable of controlling the release of the plant substance and contains lac gum, PVP, a copolymer of methacrylic acid or a colloidal dispersion of ethylcellulose with a plasticizer.

7. (Original) Granules according to claim 5, wherein the outer layer is capable of delaying the release of the plant substance and contains a copolymer of methacrylic acid, lac gum or a colloidal dispersion of ethylcellulose with a plasticizer.
8. (Currently Amended) Granules according to claim 5, wherein the outer layer is capable of masking the taste or odor of the plant substance and contains comprises a copolymer of methacrylic acid or hydroxypropylmethylcellulose.
9. (Previously Presented) Granules according to claim 1, wherein the plant substance is selected from the group consisting of garlic, Echinacea, Ginkgo biloba, ginseng, Harpagophytum, kava, St.-John's-wort, green tea, valerian, Missouri grape, artichoke, hawthorn, burdock, birch, alder buckthorn, blackcurrant, blessed thistle, Fucus, Hamamelis, horse chestnut, balm, Orthosiphon, passion flower, dandelion, horsetail, meadowsweet, sage, spirulina and mixtures thereof.
10. (Original) Granules according to claim 1, wherein the content of plant substance is between 0.1 mg/g and 750 mg/g weight of plant substance to the total weight of the granule.
11. (Original) Granules according to claim 1, wherein the layer containing the plant substance further comprises sucrose, lac gum, hydroxypropylmethylcellulose, or combinations thereof as a binder.
12. (Canceled)
13. (New) Granules according to claim 9, wherein the plant substance is Ginkgo biloba.